

### **Adoption of children by NRIs**

†3025. SHRI SHATRUGHAN SINHA: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the present provision for adopting children born in the country by NRIs;
- (b) the agency responsible for implementing these provisions in the country;
- (c) whether Government propose to effect any changes in the said provisions; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) to (d) Procedure related to adoption of Indian children by NRIs has been provided under 'Guidelines for Adoption from India-2006'. Central Adoption Resource Agency (CARA) is responsible for ensuring implementation of these guidelines. These guidelines/provisions, which are reviewed regularly in order to make their implementation more efficient and child friendly, are available on the CARA website [www.adoptionindia.nic.in](http://www.adoptionindia.nic.in)

### **Short Stay Homes for Women and Girls**

3026. SHRI SHANTARAM LAXMAN NAIK: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Short Stay Homes for Women and Girls Scheme is enforced in the State of Goa;
- (b) the activities undertaken under the mission by the Goa Government;
- (c) the financial assistance given till date;
- (d) the projects proposed to be implemented in the State of Goa under the mission; and
- (e) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) Yes, Sir.

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(b) One Short Stay Home has been sanctioned in Goa under the Scheme to a voluntary organization.

(c) Amount released to voluntary organization for running Short Stay Homes in Goa during the last five years is as under:

Year	Amount released
2002-03	Rs. 3,50,197/-
2003-04	Rs. 2,45,444/-
2004-05	Rs. 3,87,390/-
2005-06	Rs. 63,219/-
2006-07	Rs. 2,92,433/-

(d) and (e) Sanction of new project under the Scheme is dependant on the need therefor and receipt of proposal meeting the schematic norms.

#### **Long term plan against maltreatment of children**

†3027. SHRI SHREEGOPAL VYAS: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether a long term plan is under consideration in view of maltreatment against children;

(b) whether deliberations will be held jointly with the Ministries of Information and Broadcasting, Human Resource Development and Culture on it;

(c) if so, the details of the stipulated action plan;

(d) whether successful experiments in the fields of education and culture will also figure in these deliberations; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) to (e) Ministry of Women and Child Development has recently got conducted a National level Study on Child Abuse which was released of 9th April, 2007. The

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